

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data, PAJ, CHEM ABS Data, BEILSTEIN Data

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 5 145 980 A (LORENZ GISELA ET AL) 8 September 1992 (1992-09-08)	1-3, 6-12, 15-23
Y	column 1, line 5 -column 3, line 35 table 1, compounds N°1.197 to 1.202 column 31, line 43 -column 33, line 54; claims 1-3	4,5,13, 14
X	US 5 545 664 A (KIRSTGEN REINHARD ET AL) 13 August 1996 (1996-08-13)	1-3, 6-12, 15-23
Y	column 10, line 1 - line 40 column 54, line 59 -column 55, line 15 column 66, line 35 -column 67, line 18 table A, compounds n° A.1937-A.1958 column 84, line 33 -column 91, line 23; claims 1,4-10	4,5,13, 14
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C.(Continuation) DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	EP 0 398 692 A (SHIONOGI & CO) 22 November 1990 (1990-11-22) cited in the application formula (I-3) on page 5; scheme 4 on page 13 claims 2,14-16 -----	1-23

Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

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Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

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Continuation of Box I.2

Claims Nos.: 1(part)

The compounds of general formula (I) in claim 1 are defined such that for the parameter n equal or greater than 2, the radical A represents a halogen atom or a C1-C4 alkyl, haloalkyl, alkoxy, haloalkoxy group. The parameter n is an integer ranking from 0 to 4. For the case, wherein $n = 1$, no definition is provided for the radical A. There is no additional information provided in the description, which could allow to apprehend the extent of the protection sought for the radical A when $n = 1$.

Accordingly the search was performed only on those parts, which are supported, i.e. $n = 0, 2, 3$ or 4 .

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